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# ASH GROVE CEMENT WEST, INC.

Inter-Office Memorandum      October 28, 1991

Date _____	
To <u>Dick Cooke</u>	From <u>Ken Rone</u>
<u>Jim Post</u>	Subject <u>Progress Report for</u>
Copies to <u>Steve Sheridan</u>	<u>Week Ending 10/25/91</u>
<u>George Wells</u>	
<u>Ben McBride</u>	

Good response to our United Way campaign resulted in \$2200 in employee contributions, plus the plant's budgeted contribution in matching funds.

I ordered four PC's for use by our office, engineering and maintenance staffs. (386SX16's w/1M RAM, 40M HD, 1.2M & 1.44M DD's, DOS 5.0, mono VGA and 9 pin printers @ \$1295/ea.)

Vendors included Mr. Farkas, John Farmer of Westroc (referred to Jim on gypsum issues), and Ron Savlief of Tilbury. Ron's visit had been cleared with Jim, the purpose of which was to exchange information on our Durham Clay for information on alumina sources used by Tilbury and of possible interest to us. He also indicated they are currently using the Anyox copper slag, tested by us in 1984.

Cyclonaire has sold their Docksider division, along with Mssrs. Meola and Krejci, to Nicholson Mfg. located across the street from us.

Our neighbors sent us a letter reminding us that the over spray issue was not concluded to their satisfaction. The complaint was forwarded to Baugh. Another lein was filed on our construction by a Baugh sub. Baugh indicates a misunderstanding with the sub which will be immediately addressed.

Holnam will be taking down their cooler this winter for extensive overhaul.

We received our street use permit allowing us to go ahead with the streetside construction. We will contact Merlino & Sons next week for a bid. We also received a memorandum of understanding from the City of Seattle indicating that we do not need an NPDES permit for our storm water hookup.

The gas line to the precalciner was begun. We will use this trench to run the temporary phone line to the elevator. Transfer Tower VII was placed. The planting area for Adopt-a-Beach was prepared. The warehouse was cleared out in preparation for the removal of the bridge crane. The stores were transferred to the old raw mill bldg. The QCX spectrometer was installed. The pantlegs for the coal silo were begun. The tall crane was brought back

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in, requiring renotification to the FAA. The roofing continued on the Clay Storage shed. Forming on the clinker breaker was begun. Progress was made on the Clinker Silo conveyors. The dust collector on top of the Blending Silos was installed. The Whse./Shop roof is beginning to be installed. Power was completed to the 348 and 158 Bldgs. CCTV monitors, work station key-boards and printers were installed in the control room. Kiln brick was installed from the dam ring into the basic section.

~~The bricklayers from Geo. Reintjes Company were terminated when they refused to take a Reintjes mandated urine test.~~

A meeting was held with Baugh and Reintjes Co. to express our concerns over the workmanship evident in the kiln lay up. Little was accomplished as Baugh's patronizing style, Reintjes conceit, and Fuller's reliance on their newly hired technical expert were used in concert to deflect the technical arguments we presented. It appears Baugh plans to do nothing.

Acceptance was given for the insulation and lagging on the Raw Mill cyclones and ID Fan ductwork.

Next week we will begin work on the 1992 Operating Budget, arrange interviews with the process engineering candidates and take a look at the Office Manager and Plant Engineer resumes. Our temporary Office Clerk will begin to work exclusively with Rosemarie for a two month period. We may place an order for office furniture if we feel we have gotten adequate value for our dollar. We will order some office lunchroom furniture (used) and fixtures. We will evaluate our newest hydraulic crane quotation. Dan will meet with the Merlino estimators to review their bid for the storm water discharge system. Thursday would be a good day to visit; we will try our first Halloween lunch for all our crew hosted by the Human Resources Dept. We are looking forward to it.

